

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 5     1.     A wound closure device for connecting tissue comprising: first and second straps, each including a ventral surface having at least one barb, the straps being adjustably connectable to one another, whereby the straps form a wound closure.
- 10    2.     The device of claim 1, wherein the barbs of the first strap and the second strap are placed in the fascia of the wound.
3.     The device of claim 1, wherein the first strap and second strap are made of resorbable material.
- 15    4.     The device of claim 1, wherein the device is placed in the wound by the use of a trochar.
5.     The device of claim 1, wherein the ventral surface of each strap includes a plurality of barbs.
- 20    6.     A wound closure device for connecting tissue comprising:
  - a.     a first flexible strap having a proximal end and a distal end, and a ventral surface and a dorsal surface; and
  - 25    b.     a second flexible strap having a proximal end and a distal end, and a ventral surface and a dorsal surface, wherein the proximal end

terminates in a connector designed and configured to adjustably  
connect to the proximal end of the first strap,  
wherein the first strap and the second strap have at least one barb on the  
ventral surface for engaging the tissue;  
5 whereby the straps form a wound closure.

7. The device of claim 6, wherein the first strap and the second strap are placed in the fascia of the wound.
- 10 8. The device of claim 6, wherein the device is made of resorbable material.
9. The device of claim 6, wherein a plurality of barbs is present on the ventral surface of the first and second straps.
- 15 10. A wound closure device for connecting tissue comprising:  
first and second straps, each strap including
  - a. a ventral surface having at least one barb; and
  - b. a proximal and distal end;wherein
  - 20 a. the distal end of each strap is placed in tissue surrounding the wound, and
  - b. the proximal end of each first strap is designed and configured to be adjustably connected to the proximal end of each second strap,25 whereby the straps form a wound closure.

11. The device of claim 10, wherein the barbs of the first strap and the second strap are placed in the fascia of the wound.
12. The device of claim 10, wherein the device is made of resorbable material.
- 5 13. The device of claim 10, wherein the device is placed in the wound by the use of a trochar.
- 10 14. The device of claim 10, wherein the first and second strap each has a plurality of barbs on its ventral surface.
- 15 15. The device of claim 10, wherein the proximal end of the first strap comprises a male end and the proximal end the second strap comprises a female end.
16. The device of claim 15, wherein the female end comprises a buckle.